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**KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT # 17
For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-17-13**

There will be a **48-hour extension** to the current commercial salmon fishing period in the following sections of the **Alitak District** at the following dates and times:

- The **Olga Bay Section**, from **9:00 a.m. Friday, July 12 to 9:00 a.m. Sunday, July 14;**
- The **Moser Bay Section**, from **3:00 p.m. Friday July 12 to 3:00 p.m. Sunday, July 14;**
- The **Alitak Bay Section**, from **9:00 p.m. Friday July 12 to 9:00 p.m. Sunday, July 14;** and,
- The **Cape Alitak Section** from **9:00 a.m. Saturday, July 13 to 9:00 a.m. Monday, July 15.**

The **Humpy-Deadman Section** of the **Alitak District** will be **extended** from **9:00 a.m. Saturday, July 13 to 9:00 p.m. Tuesday July 16.**

There will be a **57-hour** commercial salmon fishing period from **noon Saturday July 13 to 9:00 p.m. Monday July 15** in the **Mainland District** (except the Wide Bay and Cape Igvak sections will remain closed).

There will be an **81-hour** commercial salmon fishing period from **noon Saturday July 13 to 9:00 p.m. Tuesday July 16** in the following areas:

- The **Northwest Kodiak District**, (except the Kizhuyak Bay Section will remain closed);

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- The **Afognak District**, (except the Izhut, Outer Kitoi, and Inner Kitoi Bay sections remain closed and the Duck Bay Section is open until further notice);
- The **Eastside Kodiak District** (except the Inner Ugak Bay Section which is already open); and,
- The **Northeast Kodiak District**.

The **Inner and Outer Karluk sections** of the **Southwest Kodiak District** will close to commercial salmon fishing at **9:00 p.m. Tuesday July 16**.

Concerning the North Shelikof Strait Fishery:

Short notice, inperiod closures may occur for seine fisheries in the Seaward Zones of the North Shelikof Strait area, as designated in the North Shelikof Strait Sockeye Salmon Management Plan (5 AAC 18.363). Closure announcements may occur at 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m., 5:00 p.m., or 8:30 p.m., on Single Side Band frequency 3.230 MHz and VHF channel 6.

As Previously Announced:

The following areas will remain open until further notice:

- The **Inner Ugak Bay Section** of the **Eastside Kodiak District**;
- The **Duck Bay Section** of the **Afognak District**.

Closed Water Adjustments:

Closed waters are **reduced until 9:00 p.m. Tuesday July 16** at at **Karluk Lagoon's exit channel terminus at the ocean shoreline** (stream #255-101).

Closed waters are **reduced until further notice** in the following locations:

- In **Saltery Cove**, for **subsistence fishing**, at **Saltery Creek** (stream# 259-415), at the **exit channel terminus at the ocean shoreline**.
- At **Saltery Creek** (stream # 259-415) **Hearst Creek**, (stream # 259-414) and **Rough Creek** (stream # 259-416) in **Saltery Cove** to the stream terminus of each stream, for commercial salmon fishing.
- In **Chiniak Bay**, for **subsistence fishing**, at the **Buskin River** (stream# 259-211) at the **exit channel terminus at the ocean shoreline**.

In that **portion of the Northwest Kodiak and Southwest Kodiak districts south of the latitude of Cape Kuliuk, until further notice**, **Chinook (king) salmon 28 inches or greater in length may not be retained by purse seine gear** in the commercial fishery and must be returned to the water unharmed.

To ensure **Chinook (king) salmon brood stock collection** at Monashka Creek, **that portion of the Monashka/Mill Bay Section of the Northeast Kodiak District** bounded by the latitude of **Spruce Cape** and the latitude of **Termination Point** until **August 1, 2013** **king salmon may not be retained in the subsistence fishery** and must be returned to the water unharmed.

Cost recovery fisheries began in the **Telrod Cove Special Harvest Area (SHA)** on **June 23, 2013**; and the **Telrod Cove SHA** will remain closed to common property fishing. Fishery

opportunities in Telrod Cove will be dependent on the ability to meet KRAA cost recovery needs.

Other closed waters are as shown on the Kodiak Area Salmon Statistical Chart and detailed in the Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations (5AAC 18.350).

Statistical Charts, Harvest Strategies, and Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations are available at the Kodiak Fish and Game office. Recent salmon fishery information may be obtained by calling the Department's 24-hour record-a-phone at 486-4559.

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